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## SENATE STANDS BY PRESIDENT AND AMERICAN SEA RIGHTS

### Gore Resolution Tabled by Big Vote; Wilson Tells of Bryan's Mischievous Work

#### HESPERIAN LOSS NEVER ADMITTED, SAYS SURVIVOR

Niagara Passenger Who Was  
Aboard Allan Liner When It  
Was Torpedoed Tells of  
Experiences

#### ACCUSES CREW OF BEING COWARDLY, INEFFICIENT

Declares Lifeboats Were Badly  
Launched or Not Launched  
at All; Puts Loss of Life at  
86; Censorship Minimized  
Details

British censorship prevented the world from knowing many "inside" facts of the sinking of the Allan liner Hesperian in the war-zone last September. And some of these facts are that the loss of life was much greater than has been given out, and that the members of the crew betrayed both "inefficiency and cowardice" after the vessel was struck by a Teuton torpedo.

So declares A. R. W. Woods, a passenger on the liner Niagara, here yesterday, and a survivor of the Hesperian.

During his few short hours here yesterday and last night Woods told his story, which was vouched for by fellow passengers who knew him and had discussed the submarine with him in detail. Woods told his story to the Star-Bulletin with convincing detail and was particularly emphatic in his assertions that the British press never published many of the extraordinary facts of the disaster.

Coming out of the Irish sea and St. George's channel on the night of September 4, the Hesperian was torpedoed, stayed afloat some hours, finally drifted off into the darkness and sunk. Woods was one of the men who was aboard the sinking vessel for some hours.

"The night was pitch dark, without stars, and no one on the steamer saw the submarine which sent the torpedo, either before or after the blow," Woods told the Star-Bulletin yesterday. "We were, as it came out afterward, about 150 miles off Fastnet light. I was in my cabin."

"There had been some talk of submarines and we saw that the vessel was carrying guns for defense. Well, when the shock came—and it was a crashing shock, too—I ran out of my cabin. Members of the crew were pouring down from above, reassuring all the passengers. The noise and shock we had heard, they said, was only from one of the guns, which had been fired. And at first that is what we believed. But then the ship, shuddering still, started to settle, going down by the bows, with the stern coming high in the air."

"How did the crew behave?" he was asked.

"Rotten—absolutely rotten. They were cowardly and inefficient and so slow and bungling getting the boats off that lives were needlessly lost in this way."

"My first sight, upon getting on (Continued on page three)

#### 'QUEEN GAVE NO AUTHORITY TO PERRY'—KUHIO

That information has come to him that Queen Liliuokalani denies she authorized Judge Antonio Perry to appear for her in the case, is one of the allegations made by Delegate Kuhio in his answer to the writ of prohibition issued in the supreme court in connection with Kuhio's equity suit against the trustees of the Liliuokalani Trust.

The delegate goes on to allege that the pleadings which suggested his disqualification in the matter were filed only by W. O. Smith, S. M. Damon and Curtis P. Lauka, trustees of the trust in which the queen's property now is held.

Concluding his answer, Kuhio asks that the writ of prohibition be set aside and that the original equity suit be allowed to proceed in court to trial and judgment by the court. Argument on the writ is scheduled for 10 o'clock next Monday morning in the supreme court.

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#### NEW YORK STOCK MARKET TODAY

Following are the closing prices of stocks on the New York market today, sent by the Associated Press over the Federal Wireless:

|                           | Today.  | Yesterday. |
|---------------------------|---------|------------|
| Alaska Gold               | 20 1/2  | 20 1/2     |
| American Smelter          | 98 1/2  | 98 1/2     |
| American Sugar Rfg.       | 109 1/2 | 109 1/2    |
| American Tel. & Tel.      | 127 1/4 | 127 1/4    |
| American Copper           | 85 1/4  | 84 1/2     |
| Atchafalpa                | 102 1/2 | 102 1/2    |
| Baldwin Loco.             | 86      | 85 1/2     |
| Bethlehem Steel           | 46 1/2  | 44 1/2     |
| Calif. Petroleum          | 28      | 27 1/2     |
| Canadian Pacific          | 166     | 164 1/2    |
| C. M. & St. P. (St. Paul) | 93 1/2  | 93 1/2     |
| Colo. Fuel & Iron         | 41 1/2  | 40 1/4     |
| Crucible Steel            | 73 1/2  | 72 1/2     |
| Erie Common               | 36 1/2  | 35 1/2     |
| General Electric          | 166 1/2 | 166        |
| General Motors            | 46 1/2  | 46         |
| Great Northern Pfd.       | 120 1/2 | 120 1/2    |
| Inter. Har., N. J.        | 109 1/2 | 108 1/2    |
| Lehigh R. R.              | 77 1/2  | 77 1/2     |
| New York Central          | 104 1/2 | 104        |
| Pennsylvania              | 57 1/2  | 57 1/2     |
| Ray Consol.               | 24 1/2  | 24 1/2     |
| Southern Pacific          | 97 1/2  | 96 1/2     |
| Studebaker                | 138     | 134 1/2    |
| Tennessee Copper          | 132 1/2 | 131 1/2    |
| Union Pacific             | 115 1/2 | 115 1/2    |
| U. S. Steel               | 81 1/2  | 80 1/2     |
| U. S. Steel Pfd.          | 115 1/2 | 115 1/2    |
| Utah                      | 84 1/2  | 83 1/2     |
| Western Union             | 88      | 88         |
| Westinghouse              | 63 1/2  | 61 1/2     |

\*Bid.

**SUGAR.**  
SAN FRANCISCO, March 3.—Sugar 96 degrees test, 5.21 cents. Previous quotation, 5.02 cents.

#### HONOLULU NURSE GIVEN MEDAL BY BELGIAN QUEEN

Christina Hunter Sub-Matron  
of Hospital Three Miles  
From Dunkirk Trenches

The many friends of Miss Christina Hunter, former Honolulu nurse, will be glad to hear that she has been the recipient of signal honors at the hands of Belgium's queen, and is performing a great and noble work in that war-torn land.

Miss Hunter was one of four nurses sent from Honolulu shortly after the outbreak of the hostilities in Europe, and ever since has been at the battle fronts. Writing to an intimate friend here she says:

"I am located in the hospital nearest of all to the trenches that they allow women to get to, and I have the satisfaction of knowing that none of the other sisters has been me in this privilege of getting experience. We surely get plenty of that here."

"My present post is in a field hospital at Dunkirk—not three miles from the trenches. The Germans could easily shell us out, but so far they have respected the hospital flag. I am almost at the trenches, much closer than any other British, French or Belgian sister. I am not bound by any contracts, and can leave whenever I feel like it."

is Now Sub-matron.  
"I was promoted the first of the (Continued on page two)

#### TUCKER'S TERM UP AT MIDNIGHT; CLIMAX AWAITED

Land Commissioner Tucker's term expires at midnight tonight and there is an air of hush and expectation around the departments at the capitol today. The governor's intention of displacing Tucker is an open secret and the main curiosity is as to the details, in view of Tucker's persistent refusal to resign and get out before his term should expire.

The land commissioner was not at his office today. He has been absent a good deal lately and recently, said capitol observers, has not seen the governor. It is definitely expected that matters will come to a climax this afternoon or tonight and also that by tomorrow the governor's choice of a successor will become known. Rumor continues to place Begram G. Rivenburgh as the leading possibility for the land office, and in Democratic circles it is reported that William E. Miles will be his duty. If so, the new line-up will bring together two former private secretaries to the late Democratic mayor, for Rivenburgh served two terms as J. J. Fern's secretary and Miles followed him in the city hall job.

#### PLAN MEMORIAL TO GOVERNOR ON NEEDS OF CITY

Mayor Will Tonight Recommend to Board Move for Special Session

#### CRISTY HINTS FLIGHT IS BIT EXAGGERATED

County Situation Should Be Investigated First, He Says; Ashford's Bills Held Up

Mayor Lane will recommend to the board of supervisors at its meeting tonight that a committee be appointed to draw up a memorial to the governor setting forth the reasons for the urgent need of a special session of the legislature to consider Honolulu's problems.

Practically every member of the board has signified his intention of voting for the appointment of such a committee.

Supervisor Horner said this morning that he had intended to call the board's attention to the governor's statement, made through the Star-Bulletin, that he could take no official notice of the court's difficulties or the city's desire for a special session unless it was called to his attention officially. Supervisors Shingle and Hollinger had similar intentions.

Other Things in the Wind.

"The governor as several other matters that he would like to bring to the attention of the legislature at once," said Mr. Hollinger. "He could undoubtedly be persuaded to call the legislature into session if the supervisors showed him that the court's difficulties are not the only matter needing attention at once."

Bills for February jury fees and expenses were sent to the city auditor by Judge Ashford this morning, with instructions to hold them until funds became available. He called the auditor's attention to the fact that they had been approved before he received notice that the court funds were exhausted. The bills amount to \$448.80, of which \$105 is for the use of three automobiles for transportation of the grand jury to the reform school at Waiwale and return.

"Not Serious Enough."

That the question of providing (Continued on page two)

#### RELATIVES OF YUAN LEAVING CAPITAL CITY

Government Officials Send Families From Peking as Rebels Approach

(Special Cable to Liberty News.)  
SHANGHAI, China, March 3.—Relatives of Yuan Shih-Kai have left Peking for Tsingtau, and hundreds of government officials have sent their families away from Peking, as the approach of the revolutionary army which has occupied districts in Chile threatens the safety of the government officials in the capital.

Some of the relatives of the government officials who went to Tsingtau have left that city and are now in Shanghai. Several of these families arrived today. They state that the Japanese were not giving good protection to them while they were sojourning in Tsingtau. Yuan Shih-Kai in a statement urged the officials to remain in Peking, as he does not expect a direct attack on that city.

The Shantung division of Yuan's army has been ordered to the border between Mongolia and Chihli, and troops from Hupeh have been rushed to the Shanai border.

Republican troops are now within 100 miles of Peking on three sides, and an army corps from the south has been ordered by Yuan Shih-Kai to make an attack on the revolutionary position.

The situation in Hunan since the two divisions went over to the republicans is cleared and the revolutionists now have the upper hand, although Yuan has ordered another division to make an attack on the present position now held by the republican troops. Chang Sha, the capital, is still in the hands of the monarchists, and Yuan is making an attempt to strengthen the force in this city.

The republican troops have centered their attacks on Hunan and Chihli, of which Peking is the capital, and the campaign in Sze Chuen has not been pushed, as the entire province is practically in the hands of the rebels.

#### VOTE ON FREE SUGAR REPEAL POSTPONED TO TUESDAY, SAYS MESSAGE

What has become of the proposed vote in Congress today on free-sugar repeal?

This question is current around the streets—and particularly along "Broker's Row," where the stock market "investors" congregate.

The vote on the Kitchen bill repealing the free-sugar clause of the Simmons-Underwood tariff bill was set for today in the house of representatives. A private message received this morning says that the vote was postponed until next Tuesday on account of press of business. The fight over the "travel issue" in Congress is probably the press of business referred to.

#### FIRE DESTROYS REAR PORTION OF LUCAS MILL

Actual Loss About \$10,000,  
and Big Contracts Hampered;  
to Rebuild of Concrete

Fire which broke out in the Honolulu Planing Mill, 655 Fort street, at about 5 o'clock this morning, destroyed all of the back portion of the mill before it could be put out by the fire department. The cause of the fire is unknown.

John Lucas, president and manager of the mill company, said this morning that he will rebuild immediately, erecting a fireproof structure in place of the former shed, which were of wood and corrugated iron. He places a rough estimate on the actual fire damage at somewhere between \$10,000 and \$12,000, with an additional loss of \$10,000 from contracts which he will be unable to carry through as planned.

Insurance to the amount of \$500,000 was carried on the burned portion, which Mr. Lucas said today was not insured as high as the front of the mill. The entire mill carries insurance of \$200,000.

Productive Part Ruined.

"The damage is to the most productive part of the mill, however," said Mr. Lucas, "and it will be hard to estimate the resultant loss by being unable to fulfill certain of our contracts."

Besides large amounts of lumber and the mill structure itself destroyed there are many portions of the machinery, belting and shafting, bandsaws, a sandpaper machine of much value, carpenter shop, store room and tools.

Mr. Lucas gave orders to keep moving when he arrived on the scene this morning, and work started soon in the front and unharmed portion, which also contains much machinery. Meanwhile workmen are clearing out the blackened ruins. How the fire started is a mystery. The alarm was turned in by a marine from the naval station, who signaled from Box 34 at Fort and Allen streets. He said that when he saw the blaze first he thought it was a pile of rubbish, but realized soon after that the mill was on fire.

Central station engines and hose carts arrived on the scene first, followed soon by the Palama station, which answered to a second alarm, Makiki station coming down to relieve Central.

Gone Before Alarm Came.  
"The structure was practically gone before the alarm reached us first," said Fire Chief Thurston today, "and as we left the station at Fort and Beretania we could see the reflection from the flames lighting up the sky."

"It was a real fire," declares the chief, "one of the biggest we have had in a long while. The new engines worked beautifully in this first big tryout, in fact they saved the day and kept it from being worse."

The new building, which will be fireproof and larger, with arrangements under the most modern fashion, will be made of concrete, according to Mr. Lucas. The company has been in its present quarters since 1878. Three or four small fires have occurred before, but with little damage.

Contracts amounting to nearly \$200,000 were under way by the company. Among these are work at Fort De Russy amounting to \$100,000; I. I. Hue Theater, Kauai, \$24,000; King's Daughters' Home, \$25,000 and Leialo Home, \$45,000.

E. H. Rollins & Sons and the First Trust and Savings bank of Chicago have purchased from the state of California \$2,300,000 4 per cent. bonds. The proceeds of the sale will be used for the construction of state highways and the erection of state buildings at San Francisco. The bonds are offered on a 3.90 per cent. basis.

Tramps who were allowed to sleep in jail at New Castle, Pa., stole all the clothing of a "trust" caretaker.

#### DEMOCRATIC "WHIP" WHO HELPED TO GIVE BACKING TO WILSON



#### WILDER BEGINS SECOND ATTACK IN FORBES CASE

Wants Public Utilities Commission Enjoined From Paying Share of Expenses

A suit in equity, seeking to have the public utilities commission enjoined from approving vouchers presented by Charles R. Forbes, superintendent of public works and chairman of the commission, in the sum of \$625.79, alleged to be part of the expenses incurred by Mr. Forbes during his recent trip to Washington, was filed in the circuit court today by Attorney R. W. Breckons as counsel for Judge A. A. Wilder.

The suit filed today is the second of a series of actions launched by Mr. Wilder against the superintendent of public works, the governor and other territorial officials to prevent the payment out of public moneys of Mr. Forbes' expenses.

Governor Pinkham, Territorial Auditor J. H. Fisher, Territorial Treasurer C. J. McCarthy and Mr. Forbes were to appear in Circuit Judge Ashford's court this afternoon to show cause why a temporary injunction, asked for in a suit filed by Judge Wilder last Wednesday, should not be granted. This suit seeks to enjoin the governor from paying a certain portion of Mr. Forbes' expenses out of a fund from which expenditures may be made only at the discretion of the chief executive.

Two More Suits Expected.  
It was expected that two additional suits would be filed this afternoon, one asking that the harbor board be enjoined from paying any of Forbes' expenses out of its moneys, and another asking that the treasurer's fund be likewise enjoined.

In the suit filed today it is alleged that Mr. Forbes requested that half of his expenditures, or \$625.79, be paid out of the funds of the public utilities commission and that the members of the board "threatened to approve the vouchers."

Auditor Fisher and Treasurer McCarthy are made respondents in the action, it being asked that the for- (Continued on page three)

#### LAST CUE FOR JEAN M. SULLY, NOTED TRAGEDIAN

(Associated Press by Cable)  
PARIS, France, March 3.—Jean Mounet Sully, the celebrated tragedian and one of the greatest actors France has produced, died here today. He was 73 years of age and a chevalier of the Legion of Honor.

#### NEBRASKAN'S ATTITUDE WHILE IN CABINET LED GERMANY TO THINK U. S. NOT IN EARNEST

REPUBLICANS JOIN WITH DEMOCRATS IN DOWNING SUGGESTION OF COMPROMISE ON TRAVEL ISSUE—GERMAN OFFENSIVE IN VERDUN REGION RENEWED AND BERLIN CLAIMS MORE GAINS MADE

(Associated Press by Commercial Pacific Cable.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—Republicans as well as Democrats joined today in the upper house of Congress in standing by President Wilson in his insistence upon the safety of Americans at sea.

The president's policy of standing for the right of neutrals to travel upon merchantmen, even if the merchant vessels are armed for defensive purposes, was upheld by an emphatic vote in the senate, and the fight in the senate against the president was badly beaten.

By a vote of 68 to 14, a greater majority than had been expected by the president's supporters and the administration forces, the senate tabled the resolution offered by Senator Gore of Oklahoma which in substance would warn Americans not to travel on armed belligerent ships. By this action the senate puts the quietus on the senate agitation which has been embarrassing the president in his negotiations with Germany concerning submarine warfare.

In an attempt to strengthen his resolution Senator Gore offered a substitute, which in effect was that the sense of the senate should be that the death of an American on a ship sunk or attacked without warning should be a just cause for war.

All of Senator Gore's parliamentary efforts were defeated at one time on a roll-call, the motion for which was made by Senator Ollie James of Kentucky, the administration "whip."

On this roll-call 47 Democrats and 21 Republicans voted aye against the Gore resolution—and two Democrats and 12 Republicans voted nay.

Senator Gore himself voted aye because he did not favor his own substitute, which he introduced, he explained, to get an expression from the senate on the travel issue.

The fight between the administration and anti-administration forces on this issue will now be transferred to the house.

The result of the vote today is known to be satisfactory to the president. The two Democrats who voted against the administration are Senator O'Gorman of New York and Senator Chamberlain of Oregon.

#### Wilson Tells of Bryan's Mischief

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—President Wilson's position on travel at sea and Germany's submarine warfare was further revealed today and with it an intimation of the extent to which William Jennings Bryan's attitude as secretary of state has embarrassed the administration in its negotiations with Berlin.

The president today told congressional leaders that it was months after Bryan's resignation before the United States was able to convince Germany that Americans are in earnest in their position regarding submarine warfare. It is understood he mentioned this to show his belief that Congress could further weaken the position of the United States abroad by ill-advised action now.

The president said he had endured jeers and ridicule of his efforts to maintain peace. He is also understood to have declared that he is willing to sacrifice anything except honor in maintaining peace.

In the debate on the Gore resolutions, Senator Borah of Idaho upheld the right of Americans to use armed merchant vessels for traveling. Senator Sherman of Illinois, who voted against the administration, said that "the ultimate way which the president is traveling leads one close to war or to national abandonment and humiliation."

#### Gore's Colleague Supports Wilson

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—Senator Owen of Oklahoma, colleague of Senator Gore, conferred with the president today. He said that he found Senator Gore's statement of yesterday regarding the alleged utterance of the president to be entirely unfounded. Senator Gore had declared that it was reported President Wilson asserted war between America and Germany might end the European war by mid-summer.

Senator Owen makes it plain that he will support the president.

#### Germans at Verdun Suffer Heavily

PARIS, France, March 3.—Redoubled violence of the German attacks north of Verdun marked today's reports from the front. Near Douaumont the Germans made repeated attacks but were repulsed with cruel losses. They reached the village of Douaumont later, where fierce fighting is now in progress, the French contesting every inch.

The German advances at Vaux have been checked and the Germans are retiring, leaving masses of their dead.

On the Woivre plain the bombardment continues. German artillery is active at Malancourt and near Haucourt.

BERLIN, Germany, March 2.—The German forces operating near Verdun have cleared a way to the village of Douaumont and pushed their lines west and south.

#### New Anti-German Move By Portuguese

LONDON, England, March 3.—The Lloyd's agent at Bombay reports that the Portuguese have hoisted the Portuguese flag on German vessels anchored at Mormyga and the Germans aboard have been interned at Panjim, the capital of the Portuguese colony at Goa, India.

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